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Chairman Tom Wheeler  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

We write to urge you to give full, fair, and expedient consideration to the proposed merger between Comcast Corporation and Time Warner Cable. The economies of scale achieved by this merger will benefit cable and Internet customers without harming competition in the marketplace. This is a good deal for the consumer, and we hope that it will be approved in a timely manner.

The economic impact of this merger on Pennsylvania and Philadelphia cannot be overstated. Comcast is currently the only Fortune 50 Company headquartered in the City of Philadelphia. Just over a decade ago, Comcast employed 800 workers at their headquarters. With the construction of the Comcast Center in 2008, that number has increased six fold to 4,800. Comcast currently provides jobs for over 13,000 men and women across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

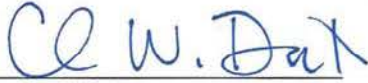
We anticipate similar economic growth to follow the completion of the Comcast Innovation and Technology Center, a planned facility that will house cutting edge telecommunications research in addition to 1.5 million square feet of rentable mixed-use space and a luxury hotel and restaurant. Comcast informs us that they expect this new facility to create at least 1,500 permanent new jobs.

In addition to much needed economic growth, this merger will result in faster Internet speeds for many current Time Warner customers who often experience speeds half as fast as those provided by Comcast. Pending approval of the merger, Comcast has pledged to invest hundreds of millions of dollars to improve the infrastructure of their newly acquired networks. It is worth repeating that these networks exist entirely outside of Comcast's existing service area, so no customers will be losing a choice in providers, while many will gain faster Internet access.

Comcast has consistently proven to be a good corporate citizen in Pennsylvania and across the country, providing both essential funding and in-kind support to over 1,000 non-profit organizations. These include such worthy causes as the American Heart Association, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Big Brothers Big Sisters, the American Cancer Society, and the Red Cross. Since the company first introduced its annual day of giving in 2001, over 600,000 volunteers have donated more than 3.7 million hours of service at 6,000 service project sites nationwide. This included 11,000 Pennsylvania volunteers in 2014, and we praise their service to their communities.

In short, we believe that the proposed merger between Comcast and Time Warner Cable is good for consumers, good for our communities, and good for economic development. We respectfully request that the FCC carry out the remainder of its review in the most expedient manner possible.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



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